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AGENDA

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Tuesday, November 17

Lecture: Mr. N. Tywoniuk, Public Works, Canada, to speak on "Social Aspects of Engineering: Case Study on Environmental Impact Assessment." 11:45am, in H-635.2.

Celebrated jazz vocalist Jeri Brown performs at the Concordia Concert Hall, 8pm, Loyola campus. Free admission!

Amnesty International letter writing meeting and discussion, 4:30pm in Z105/106 (2090 Mackay). Info: 848-7410.

Wednesday, November 18

Workshop and discussion: "Women, Work, and Childcare," from 2-4pm at the YWCA, 1355 René Lévesque West. Info: Marie Serdynska at 866-9941.

Free films! The Loyola Film Series continues with "Ride the High Country" at 7pm, and "The Searchers" at 8:50pm. At the FC Smith auditorium. Info: 848-3878.

Concordia Graduate Reading Series: All welcome to attend the reading of creative work by English Graduate Students. Refreshments available. 8:30pm, at the Graduate Students' Association House, 2030 Mackay.

Recreation and Leisure Studies Students Association (RALSA) meeting: all Therapeutic Recreation and Leisure studies students welcome! 1:30pm, CH-220. Info: Neal, 486-3661.

Friday, November 20

International Students! Do you know your legal rights in Quebec and Canada? Information session dealing with legal rights for International Students, noon to 1:30pm, Simone de Beauvoir lounge, 2170 Bishop. (Bring your lunch, coffee available). Info: 848-3516.

Saturday, November 21

Queer "Pop Art" dance at Kiev, 812 Rachel E. Doors open at 9:00 pm. 4$

Tuesday, November 24

Lecture: Patricia Eshkibok, Lylee Williams, and Josie Curotte from the Native Para-Judicial Services of Quebec will be speaking on "Natives in the Courts and Corrections" and "Traditional Justice Systems." 8:30pm, in H-403.

GENERAL

Model UN Group: meetings on Thursdays, 7pm (sharp!) at 2150 Bishop, Annex D. Everyone welcome. Info: 848-7409.

Hey you psych students! As the largest department in the school, come to the Psych students association meetings and speak your mind! Tuesdays, P-205 (2020 Mackay). Info: 848-7487.

Discussion group: organized by students from families of Jewish and non-Jewish parents. Everyone welcome to explore and discuss in an open, non-judgemental environment. Hillel, 845-9171.

The Garnet Key Society is recruiting members for the 1993-94 academic year. This is a great way to get involved in your school and meet new friends. Info: 848-4828.

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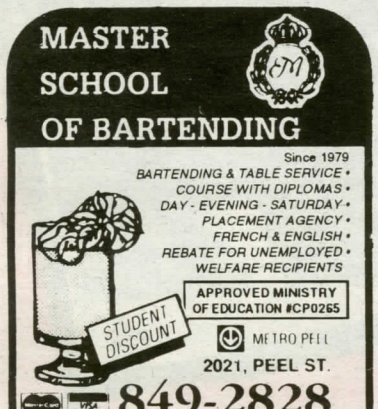

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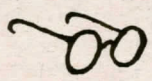

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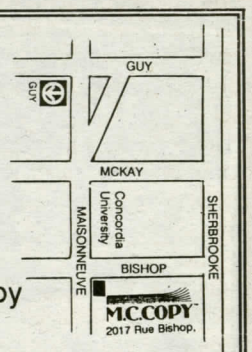

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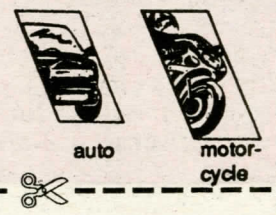

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But they're only a band-aid solution, say food bank workers

Food banks needed more than ever

by Lisa Ariemma

The number of people using food banks in Montreal has increased dramatically in the past five years, but Jason Hughes thinks emergency food services should not be carrying the load.

Hughes, a full-time worker at the Notre-Dame-de-Grace Food Depot, said all levels of government must work to ensure food banks are not needed.

"Too many people are relying on food banks these days," said Hughes. "It should be a government responsibility. For example, there should be jobs—not job-training. Job-training doesn't do much if there are no jobs."

In the Montreal area alone, there are 171 agencies distributing food to Montrealers. And the numbers are rising.

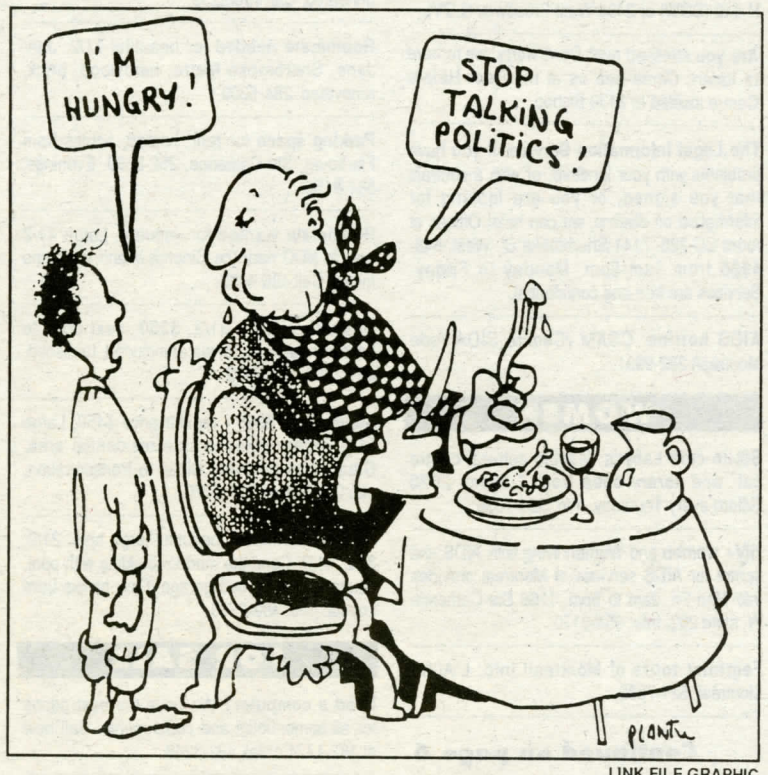
Every Wednesday and Friday the NDG depot fills with residents from NDG and the surrounding area. Hughes and 15 or 20 other volunteers distribute food baskets that contain three days worth of food. In one month the depot provides 12 to 13,000 meals.

The depot is in the basement of Friendly Home, a residence for men on Côte St. Antoine. Its walls feature posters and brochures on housing, racism and pregnancy. There are six large refrigerators in the basement and milk crates serve as a table for donated clothing.

The depot receives a weekly supply of food from Montreal Harvest, a warehouse food bank that distributes to many of the emergency food agencies in Montreal.

But food banks must also rely on donations from individuals, corporations and other groups.

"Sometimes it's like a cavalry," said Hughes. "We're low on something and someone walks in with it. We're lucky like that."



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Low-income and welfare recipients are eligible for food aid.

But the clientele is changing. People who have been working all their lives are being laid off and forced to wait up to 12 weeks for unemployment insurance.

"People who thought they were untouchable are being affected," said Tommy Kulczyk, who works for Sun Youth. The organization's emergency food service distributes food to between four and 5,000 people per year in the greater Montreal area.

Kulczyk said the poverty in Montreal is a result of several problems, including a high unemployment rate and illiteracy. He said poverty must be viewed in a larger societal context.

Many food banks provide other services. The NDG Food Depot is involved in a project to help pregnant women in collaboration with the NDG Centre Locale des Services Communautaires (CLSC). Multi Caf, a food bank and cafeteria in Côte-des-Neiges, offers free language classes and gives multi-ethnic information referrals about employment rights, discrimination and health care.

David Alper is a full-time employee at Multi Caf. He said food banks are a band-aid solution to the community's poverty issues.

"Food aid is not the solution," he said. "We need changes in government policy, full employment and an adequate minimum wage."

He said Multi Caf was distributing 40 food baskets per month in 1986. This year more than 500 families use the food bank each month.

According to John Kinloch, of the Canadian Food Bank Association, more than 2 million Canadians rely on emergency food services each year. Forty per cent of them are children.

In Nov. 1989, the federal parliament unanimously endorsed a proposal to end child poverty by the year 2000. But Kinloch said he hasn't seen much progress.

"I don't see the political commitment," said Kinloch. "It's really quite outrageous."

Cooking to beat the recession

by Mara Goldstein

MONTREAL (CUP)—Despite the fact most North Americans live in cities, the concepts of community and collectivity are rarely a part of urban everyday lives. However, the various community kitchens across the province show they can be.

Collective food preparation goes back to simpler times when the whole community helped prepare the evening meal. Somewhere along the way, urban dwellers stopped reaching out to neighbours and working together.

But the recession has pushed people to find ways to save money and still eat well. The result, as Richard Fraser of the NDG anti-poverty group states, "is beautiful."

Across Quebec, there are 200 collective kitchens. Most are local initiatives to stretch food budgets.

Fraser says collective kitchens are simply groups of families who cook meals together. Unlike many other projects, there are no handouts involved. Every individual contributes produce in return for good, wholesome food at the lowest price.

Finding a location with the proper facilities is the most challenging aspect of the project, says Fraser. For this reason the kitchen only meets twice a month, once to plan the meal and then to cook. The group usually cooks for twelve portions, but this can be increased.

"We are looking to make each portion for one dollar. Where can you go to get a good meal for a dollar?" says Fraser.

But the community kitchen is more than the money people save. It brings people together.

"Poverty isolates, it is a blow to the self-esteem," Fraser said. The kitchens are a good support system.

Hungry students find help on campus and off

by Jennifer Ditchburn

When the cupboards are bare and the government loans are late, students can turn to Concordia's campus ministry, various food banks and a variety of resource groups in the city for help.

Campus ministry gives food vouchers redeemable at the Provigo grocery chain to students in emergency situations.

The chaplain of campus ministry at Loyola said this year has seen a record number of students in need of aid.

"The periods of highest demand are mid-autumn, when loans are late....right through the winter, when money is running out like crazy," said Peter Coté.

Students who need help may get $5, $10 or $25 vouchers from the campus ministry office. They give an average of $30 per person per visit and more to individuals with dependents.

"We talk to the student a bit, and see what we can do for them. We see if we can help them in a more holistic sense," said Coté.

Coté said although many students seek help, single mothers and students from out of town make up the largest proportion. Single parents often rely on loans or bursaries, and welfare and part-time jobs, he added.

Out-of-town students do not have the support systems that residents do, such as parents and friends.

Campus ministry raises money through the annual Spirit of Christmas Drive at Concordia. The drive was established as the Christmas Basket Drive in 1914 at Loyola College for families displaced by the war.

Recently, the fund has changed its focus, from serving the local community to serving only Concordia students.

"The demand was so great that we eliminated the Christmas basket and concentrated our efforts on needy students," said Coté.

This year they have distributed $4,790 in food vouchers to over 150 students.

Students living in the NDG area can also drop by the NDG Food Depot. Jason Hughes, director of the depot, said he sees a few students come in.

"They're the same as everyone else, they need food too. But students tend to have better resources than other people," said Hughes.

The NDG depot, open since 1986, offers canned foods and some perishable items such as beef, vegetables and yogurt, to needy NDG residents. Hughes says that most people come for a limited time, until they're back on their feet.

People who go to the depot must bring documents, such as a telephone or hydro bill, which indicate they live in NDG.

Needy students who live in NDG can go to the depot once a month for a bag of food, or twice in case of emergency.

Campus ministry can be reached at 848-3591 (SGW) or 848-3588 (LOY).

The NDG Food Depot is located at 5867A Côte St-Antoine, on the corner of Draper, until the end of December. People should enter by the back. The depot can be reached at 483-4680 or through the NDG Community Council at 484-1471.

Brown-bagging it still the best deal around

Between the aisles of fruits and vegetables, a McGill student examines her finds. The Provigo on St. Catherines and Fort Streets proved to have a few good deals afterall. She picks up an orange and checks it over carefully. "I never really eat at the cafeteria," she says. "Sometimes I'll buy a muffin and a coffee. There's not much difference in price."

In Montreal, thousands of students use their schools' food services without giving it much thought. At Concordia, students pay whatever price Mariott Food Services, the people who run Concordia's cafeterias and vending machines, decide to charge.

Are students losing out when they buy their meals at the cafeteria, or from the vending machines? Is the convenience of these food resources costing us too much? Anne-Marie Boucher of Mariott says she feels comfortable with her prices.

"I am always going around to check the prices at the competition," said Boucher. "But we have the rent and employees to pay....you can't compare us to the grocery stores."

It would not be fair to compare cafeteria to grocery store prices but more and more students, many poorer than the students of previous years, are brown bagging it to school these days.

How much would the average student save by buying his or her food elsewhere? Here are some comparisons between cafeteria and supermarket prices. Of course, it must be noted that any food bought at the grocery store must later be cooked or prepared.

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—Jennifer Ditchburn

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Montréal Sexual Assault Centre, 24 hour crisis line: 934-4504.

Volunteers are needed to help in the organization and in the distribution of food baskets to needy families this Christmas. Please call the Hellenic Social Services of Hellenic Community of Montreal at 340-3580 or 340-3560, Tania or Rosy.

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Graduate Student Get-togethers, School of Graduate Studies. The academic year 1992-93 is the inaugural year for the School of Graduate Studies. It will prove to be exciting and will provide us with the opportunity to initiate projects, such as promoting a lecture series by visiting speakers and other similar ventures. to forge stronger links between faculty and students and to stimulate scholarly debate within the community. In addition, Dean Martin Kusy would like to meet with graduate students so we have arranged "get-togethers" for this purpose. There will be two such sessions each semester at our Graduate Administrative offices, 2145 Mackay Street. They will be held from 6pm to 8pm on the following dates: First semester, Tuesday, October 6, 1992, Thursday, November 12, 1992. Second semester: Wednesday, February 3, 1993, Monday, March 8, 1993. Because our space is limited, I ask that you please reserve one of the following dates by contacting Ms. Kali Sakell at 848-3803 if you are interested in attending. We look forward to seeing you.

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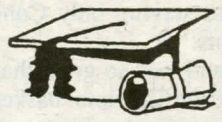
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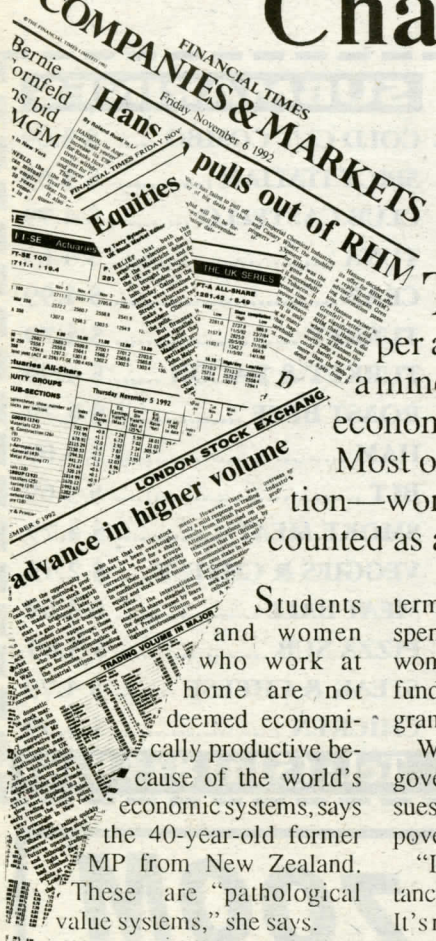

by Phil Moscovitch

Turn to the business pages of your local newspaper and you will see an economy "built to count what a minority of the people do a minority of the time," says economist and author Marilyn Waring.

Most of the work done by over half the world's population—women, children and students—is invisible, not counted as a productive part of most nations' economies.

Students and women who work at home are not deemed economically productive because of the world's economic systems, says the 40-year-old former MP from New Zealand. These are "pathological value systems," she says.

Women, children and students are systematically left out of censuses and are considered econmically worthless worldwide because governments find it hard to define them in economic terms, Waring says .

"Are you a consumer of education? Are you an investment package? Are you a service?" she asks of students.

"To me the thing is, are you working? Sure you're working. You're not getting paid for it, but you're working. We know what work is. Certainly, when I was studying it wasn't leisure."

The rules for who is included in economic statistics are listed in the United Nations System of National Accounts (UNSNA). The system explains what statistics countries should gather and what data is considered acceptable for economic statistics. UNSNA determines which activities contribute to economic growth and which don't.

Governments use economic statistics such as censuses to help determine where funds should be spent. Since most of the world's women are invisible in censuses, funds are not geared toward programs for them.

Waring says it's not surprising governments are indifferent to issues such as childcare or student poverty.

"It's not easy to get more assistance for students—that's welfare. It's not easy to get more funding for rape crisis centres—that's welfare. It's just outrageous, this kind of balance," says Waring.

"It's very easy to get tax deductibility to drink champagne at 36,000 feet in a corporate jet. Because, apparently, somewhere along the line, the owners of it are productive."

Waring's 1988 book *If Women Counted: A New Feminist Economics* explains how women are systematically left out of economic statistics. The book calls for action on women's exclusion from statistics—it's a call that's been taken up.

Women from Canada, the Philippines and India to Waring's native New Zealand have mobilized to fight their statistical invisibility.

Several countries have changed their censuses: the governments of Burkina Fasso and India now measure women's unpaid labour.

Waring first discovered serious flaws in economics in 1974 when at 22, she became the youngest woman ever elected to New Zealand's parliament.

Soon after, she was chairing the government's Public Expenditures Committee and came in contact with economic theory daily.

Waring realized that women's unpaid labour is invisible—economically, it just doesn't count while activities such as drug-trafficking and clear-cutting forests contribute to economic growth.

Waring says her complaints of the system fell on deaf ears.

"It wasn't like (government officials) were sitting there and saying 'oh you're dumb, you don't understand.' They'd say: 'Oh yeah, it's really crazy, but those are the rules,'" she says.

Waring says women should defy censuses by detailing their labour. In her book, Waring gives sample answers women could put on their census forms. How many hours did you work last week: "96". For whom did you work: "My husband and family." What kind of business is this: "Production and reproduction of the conditions of human life."

Most governments have refused to collect data on women's unpaid labour, saying there are too many technical difficulties involved. They say it is hard to calculate a value for women who work at home.

But Waring said these arguments have all been "blown out of the water," since the last Indian census counted women's unpaid labour.

More women census-takers were hired, and the Indian government mounted an enormous advertising campaign to make sure women understood that they should describe their work on the census form.

"There's no excuse now," Waring says. "If you can do it in India, you can do it anywhere."

Waring says the way world nations measure their economies is defective. And it forces developing countries to use a Western-imposed method of economic method. If they don't conform, those countries run the risk of foregoing financial assistance from the International Monetary Fund or the World Bank.

Canada and the United States calculate the economy according to a country's total transactions each year (gross national product—GNP) but most other countries have—at the United Nations' urging—switched and now calculate their economy according to the gross domestic product (GDP).

The GNP shows only profits owned by the country's residents, while the GDP measures the value of all transactions, whether or not the profit stays in the country.

When a developing nations switches from GNP to GDP, profits from foreign-owned multinationals are suddenly measured as part of the economy. The country registers great economic growth, and, in turn, becomes more attractive to foreign investors.

But Waring says having a higher GDP is no reason to celebrate.

"It means a small number of people near the top of industry are doing very well. Per capita, GDP tells you nothing about the level of poverty, the distribution of poverty. It tells you nothing about the living conditions of people who aren't included in these figures—overwhelmingly women, children, and the elderly," she explained.

During her nine years in Parliament, Waring started addressing economic inconsistencies. Her political career came to an abrupt end in 1984. Despite New Zealand's stringent anti-nuclear laws, her government was preparing to welcome an American nuclear fleet. Waring crossed the floor of the House, forcing an election on the issue.

"I spent three terms in Parliament. Of course, the last one was cut a little short," she says with a grin.

She began researching her book *If Women Counted* after leaving Parliament.

Waring was well-qualified to write about economics. She holds a PhD in economics and has taught as a fellow at Harvard. She has also been the executive director of the Sisterhood is Global Institute, an international feminist think-tank founded in 1984. Waring also teaches at the University of Waikato in Hamilton, New Zealand. Added to this, she runs her goat farm, which has close to 300 animals.

"It was going to be a little book for New Zealand so I could feel better, and then I could go farming. Well, it didn't work out like that," she said.

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Marilyn Waring: economist, author, professor and goat farmer

Economics has always been a male-dominated discipline. From Adam Smith onward, the world's most influential economists have been men. Waring's radical critique has not been embraced wholeheartedly by her male colleagues.

Canadian-born economist John Kenneth Galbraith has been the only one to be consistently supportive of her radical ideas.

"Galbraith is probably the only world figure who has no defensiveness about saying: 'sure (the eco-

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Tell me a riddle: who works and who doesn't

Marilyn Waring compares the jobs of two women and two men in her book.

Tendai, a young girl in Zimbabwe, gets up at 4 a.m. to fetch water by foot from a source 11 kilometers away. She prepares breakfast, does dishes, gathers food for the evening meal, helps tend her younger siblings, etc. According to the international economic system, Tendai is unproductive, unoccupied and economically inactive.

So is Cathy, a North American woman who spends her days preparing meals, washing dishes, cleaning house, doing laundry, paying bills, chauffeuring her children, disciplining them, etc. She, too, is considered economically unproductive.

Ben, a highly trained member of the U.S. military, spends all day, every working day, waiting for the order to fire a nuclear missile. He is also trained to kill any colleagues who might try subvert his mission. Ben is contributor to his nation's economic growth.

Mario is a pimp and heroin addict in Rome. Although his activities are illegal, the Italian government is aware of the money making its way into the Italian economy through Mario's transactions. He is also recognized as a productive part of his country's economy.

Ben and Mario work. Cathy and Tendai do not. Those are the rules according to the theory, science, profession, practice and institutionalization of economics.

—From Tell me a riddle: who works and who doesn't in *If Women Counted: A New Feminist Economics.*

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AGENDA

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The new edition of Concordia Resources for Women book available at the Status of Women office, 2150 Bishop, and at the Concordia Women's Centre, 2020 Mackay, downstairs.

Volunteers needed at the Centre d'Action SIDA Montréal (Femmes) 1168 Ste-Catherine O, suite 202. Training is provided. Info: 954-0170.

Lesbian Rugby and/or volleyball team: No experience is necessary! Info, comments, suggestions please call Luanna or Monia at 762-5545.

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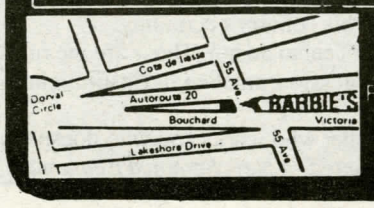

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In 1987, the federal government sponsored 5,000 housing co-ops.
That figure was down to 2,000 last year.
This year: zero.
Meanwhile, for 60,000 Montreal tenant households, rent gobbles up more than half of gross income.

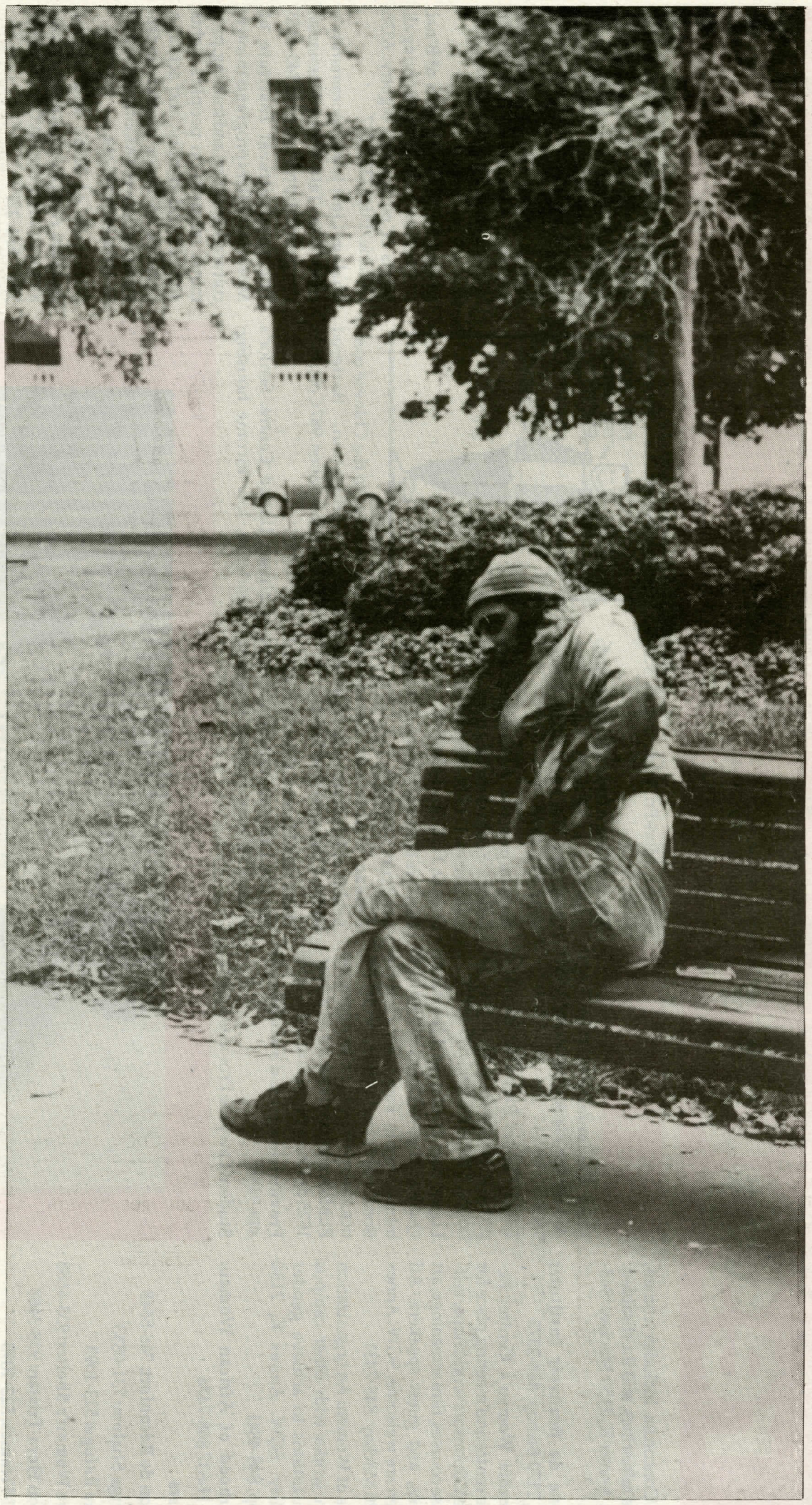
More than 13 per cent of this province's population is looking for work, 200,000-plus of whom are Montrealers. More than 82,000 Montreal residents are on welfare.

The number of homeless in Montreal is estimated at 20,000.

Concordia's need for food vouchers has grown from a dozen per year to a dozen per month in the past five years.

Out of the more than two million Canadians relying on emergency food services, 40 per cent are children.

This year, Christopher Sarlo of the influential Fraser Institute argued in his book *Poverty In Canada* that "poverty has been virtually eliminated in Canada," and is "simply not a major problem."



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The Female Musicians' Network of Montreal: Referrals, promotion, meetings, newsletter. Info: 493-6545

Groupe Intervention Vidéo: Distributes and sells videos by women. Reduced rates for women's groups and free screening facilities. 3575 St. Laurent. Suite 421. Info: 499-9840

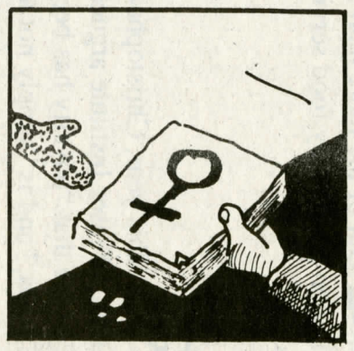
NFB Studio D: Feminist films. Complexe Guy Favreau. Info: 363-0328

South Asian Women's Community Centre: Helps South Asian women deal with social service, refugee and immigrant settlement programs, and gives support to battered women. Language courses, job training, and job search programs. 3600 Hotel de Ville. 842-2330

Cercles de Femmes du Québec d'Origine Indienne: Helps women immigrants adapt. Counselling, translation services, assertiveness training, and workshops on the law, health and finance. 84 Easton, Montréal West. 484-3918

Action Travail des Femmes: Fights for equality and real jobs for women. 4706 Wellington. Verdun. 768-7233

Centre des Femmes de Montréal: Resource and referral centre. Also has a legal-aid clinic, free clothing, and emergency food for women in need. 3585 St. Urbain. 842-4780, 842-4781



Centre des Femmes du Plateau: Documentation and resource centre. Provides space for women's groups. 5148 Berri. 273-7412

ees at Concordia. Includes women, visible minorities, and the disabled. SGW, Annex K, 2150 Mackay. 848-8749

Simone de Beauvoir Institute: SGW, 2170 Bishop. 848-2373

Concordia Women's Centre: Resource centre and meeting place for women. Sponsors workshops, self-defense courses, film screenings, art exhibits, and guest speakers. All women are welcome. SGW. Annex P, 2020 Mackay. 848-7431

Status of Women: An organization which works with other campus organizations to achieve gender equality. SGW. Annex K, 2150 Bishop. 848-4841

Sisterhood of African Women: SGW H-637 848-7474

Shelters

Maison de Réconfort: 768-8648

Auberge Shalom: 731-0833

Centre Refuge: 523-1095

Native Women's Shelter: 933-4688

Maison Flora-Tristan: 938-3463

Multi-Femmes: 523-1095

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MultiCaf: Multicultural community cafeteria and food bank. Also offering language courses, a single mothers' support group, a listening centre and advocacy. Distribution of clothes. Offers lunch and coffee starting at 10:00 am. Open 9 am–3:30 pm. 5829 Côte des Neiges. 733-0554

Community Kitchens: People meet once a month, or more, and cook together, each bringing home portions to freeze or refrigerate. Contact the *Regroupement des Cuisines Collectives de Quebec* for info on kitchens in your area or for help in starting your own. 642-3613 and/or Dianne Normand at 273-3812.

Sun Youth: Food and clothing. 4251 St-Urbain. 8:00 am-9:00 pm. 842-6822

Old Brewery Mission: Daily dinner

Legal

Black Community Hotline: Legal Aid for the Black Community. 957-9609

Legal Phone: Recorded messages provide advice on your rights. 24-hours. 7 days a week. 845-0888

Ligue des Droits et Liberté du Québec: Non-affiliated advocates of human rights. Especially First Nations' rights and racism, social justice, international, and immigration. Publish a journal five times a year.. 1825 de Champlain, 2nd fl. 527-8551

Provincial Legal Aid Switchboard: 849-9488

Student Lawyers: Provides free info. Métro. Mon-Fri 9 am–5 pm. 934-4546.

Mouvement Action Chômage: Info meetings on UI each Mon 1 pm, Wed 7 pm, Thu 1 pm. 6839A Drolet #304, 271-4099.

Regroupement Autonome des Jeunes: Youth defense group. Anti-militarism. 1113 St-Denis, POB 284, Succ D, H3K 3J5. 842-6999.

Welfare Hotline: Tues and Thurs 10 am-2 pm. 694-6405.

Reseau d'Aide aux Personnes Seules et Itinérantes de Montréal: 94 Ste-Catherine E. 879-1949.

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Quebec Bar Association Referral Service: 866-2490

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social services to the Chinese community. Education, Battered Women, Immigration. 987 Coté. Info: 861-5244

Chinese United Centre: Senior's residence, low income housing. Negotiates with the government. 211 Gauchetiére. Info: 861-4541

Chinese Neighborhood Society: Grassroots social-service group for poor Chinese persons in Montréal. Services for the elderly and Women.

Cote St. Catherine. Info: 735-3541

Jewish Family Services: Youth protection, adoption, elderly care, family counselling. 5250 Decarie. Info: 485-1112

Jewish Information and Referral Service: Answers all questions. Weekdays 9:30 am – 4:30 pm. 737-2221

League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith: Non-profit group fighting all forms of racism and bigotry. 6333 Decarie. Info: 733-5377

Shalom Line: Jewish community's crisis line. Talk about loneliness, drugs, sexual problems, etc. 343-4343

The Intercultural Institute of Montréal: Offers programs in intercultural education and training, promotes research on people's rights and cultural identity, and acts as a network to foster greater understanding between Montrealers. 4917 St. Urbain. 288-7229

Survivors of Rape and Sexual Assault: A support group for assualt survivors at the YWCA. Info: 866-9941. Ext. 227

Rape Crisis Line: 934-4504

Suicide Action Montréal: 522-5777

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Canadian Centre on Racism and Prejudice (CCRP): 727-2936

Health

Emergencies: Dial 911

Concordia Health Services: SGW 848-3565, LOY 848-3575

Air Quality Info: 873-3636

Info Santé: 24-hour non-emergency health and medical advice and hospital referrals. Info: 275-7575

Head and Hands: 2304 Old Orchard. 481-0277/78

CLSC Metro: 1550 de Maisonneuve W. 934-0354

CLSC NDG: 2525 Cavendish. 485-1670

CLSC Verdun: 1090 de L'Eglise. 766-0546

The *Centre Artisanal des Femmes* is offering free craft courses for unemployed women. The courses are designed to help women learn to make money through crafts such as weaving, stained glass, sewing and knitting. General art classes are also offered. Info: 931-3759

Centro Donne: Resource centre for Italian Women. Info, referrals, counselling, etc. 2348 Jean-Talon E. 727-7430

Conseil d'Intervention pour l'Accés des Femmes au Travail: Quebec coalition of 30 groups which lobbies and provides assistance for women workers. 1265 Berri #930. 844-0760

Chez Doris: Food and clothing for women. 2196 de Maisonneuve W. 10 am–4 pm. 937-2341

Immigrant Women's Collective of Quebec: 279-4246

Congress of Black Women of Canada: Montreal chapter. 735-5100

Rank and File: Provides information on your rights in the workplace. 6839A Drolet. Room 305. Info: 270-7878

Vietnamese Women's Organization: 738-8250

Women's Defense Committee: 848-7474

McGill Women's Union: 398-6823

YWCA: Athletics, daycare, hotel, residence, and more. 1355 René Lévesque W. 866-9941

Crisis Line: 24-hour service. 934-4504

Quebec Native Women: Represents native women in Quebec. Resources, referrals and political action on issues from family violence to health. 1450 City Councillors. Suite 440. Info: 844-9618

Black Single Mom's Support Group: Meets one afternoon a week in NDG. 485-1570

Centre des Femmes Salvadoriennes: Clothing and furniture bank. Support. 4261 Drolet. 388-2866

Employment Equity Office: Deals with discrimination against employ-

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Arnold Bennett's Housing Hotline: Tenants advisory clinics every Sat & Sun at 11 am. 488-0412, 944-8560

Comité Logement Centre-Sud: Legal info and tenant rights info. 2083 Beaudry, Suite 90. 521-5992

Fédération de Coopératives d'Habitation de l'Ile de Montréal: Represents co-op members and helps start co-ops. 843-6929

Front d'Action Populaire en Réaménagement Urbain: Coalition of housing rights groups. 522-1010

NDG Community Council: Free info and service for NDG residents. 484-3682

Projet d'Organization Populaire d'Information et de Regroupement: Housing assistance for low-income people. 4281 Notre-Dame W. 935-4649

Labour

Au Bas de l'Echelle: Assistance for minority non-unionized, and women workers. 6839A Drolet. 270-7878

Front de défense des Non-Syndiqué-e-s: Coalition of 32 women's, immigrants and labour organizations. Ghislaine Paquin. 270-7878

Conseil Central Métropolitain de Montréal (CSN): 75,000 member labour organization. Specialists in union organization, workplace discrimination and harassment, and health and safety issues. 598-2021

Lesbian and Gay Employees of McGill: Quebec's only same-sex educational employee association. Raynold Lepage. 398-4711

cases before the courts. (416) 963-9654

Social Services

St-Columba House Welfare Rights Group: Located in a community centre run by the United Church which also houses a women's group and the newspaper *Info-Pointe*. 2365 Grand Trunk. 932-5916.

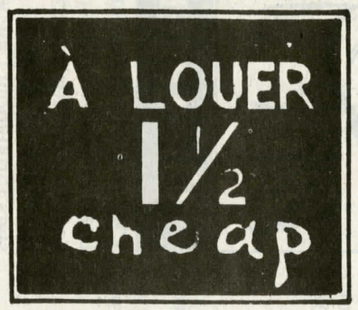
Comité Chômage Sud-Ouest: Puts out a guide on UI in French, English and Spanish. 4190 Notre Dame West. 933-5913.

Verdun Anti-Poverty Group: 768-1067.

Organisation des Assisté-e-s Sociaux: 2515 de l'Ile #209. 932-4045.

Alerte Centre-Sud: 1710 Beaudry #34, 521-0467.

Organisation Populaire des Droits Sociaux: 2398 Olivier Robert—524-6996 or 527-0700.



Comité chômage de l'est de Montréal: 1691 Pie-IX , 521-3283.

Coalition for the Right of Welfare Recipients: Linda Lemay—274-3401, or Jean-Lalonde—935-5916.

Native Friendship Centre: 3730 Côte-des-Neiges, 937-5338.

Co-op Olier: Clothes distribution. Shared lodgings. Listing for women. Veggie café. 772 Rachel E. 525-1829.

Face à Face: Welfare check pick-up for homeless people. Advice and referrals. Next to CLSC in the Guy

Abortion consultation. Youth assistance. Bilingual. 2304 Old Orchard. 481-0277

NDG Anti-Poverty Group: 6525 Somerled #7. Info: 489-3548

The Alliances des Communautés Culturelles pour l'Egalité dans la Santé et les Services Sociaux (ACCESS): An umbrella organization to help community groups gain access to the public health and social services network. 3680 Jeanne-Mance. 842-6891

Dysfunctional Families: *Adult Children Anonymous* is a 12-Step / 12-tradition support group for those with dysfunctional family backgrounds. Sat at 7:00 pm. Mtl West United Church, 88 Ballantyne. 482-1659 / 487-5472

Dysfunctional Survivors: *Adult-Children of Dysfunctional Families Anonymous* is a support group for survivors of dysfunctional families that provides an environment of affirmation, sharing & empowerment. Men & Women welcome. Fri 7:00 pm, Sun 2:00 pm. YWCA, 1355 René Lévesque W. 843-5257

Envisage: A support group for people affected by facial anomalies. 4346 Girouard. 486-7831

Welfare Rights: *Mile End Welfare Rights Group* is a new organization offering information in welfare laws & individual advocacy. Info: Wed, 1–4:00 pm, 274-3401

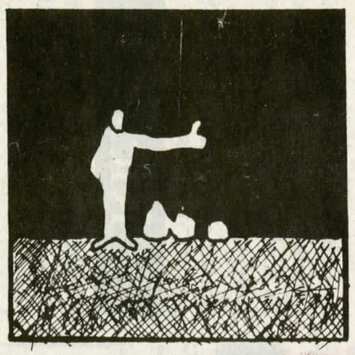
Crime Victims: *Montréal Association for Victims of Crime* offers monthly support groups for victims of violence, & family & friends of crime victims. 989-9289

Child Abuse: *Survivors of Child Abuse Support Group.* Topic & open sharing. Every Sun at 7.30 pm. 1550 de Maisonneuve W #430. Don 844-9801

APOCA: *Adult Prisoners of Childhood Anonymous.* A support group for those working on personal growth & dealing with dysfunctional family patterns. Meets every Sun at 7:00 pm. Westmount Baptist Church, 4755 Sherbrooke W. 937-4392

Chinese Family Services: Provides

5615A Parc. Info: 273-9088



United Filipino Homemakers Club of Quebec: Informs domestic workers of their rights and negotiates disputes between domestics and government agencies. 4420 Kent. 342-4825

Casa d'Italia: Community centre, social services, Italian library. 505 Jean Talon E. Info: 279-6357

Centre Haitien Régroupement et d'Intégration a la Société Canadienne et Québécoise: Helps Haitians understand Québec and Canadian society. Workshops, videos, films, and more. 8170 Gouin E. Info: 648-6990

Communauté Chrétienne des Haitians de Montreal: Provides counselling for Haitians on legal rights, immigration procedures, language regulations, social services, education, employment and racism. 6970 Marquette. Info: 725-9508

Jamaica Association of Montréal: Helps immigrants with social services, housing, french classes, etc. 4065 Jean Talon W. Info: 737-8229

Black Community Council of Quebec (BCCQ): Largest community group in Montréal. 11 English-speaking Black organizations. 2121 Old Orchard. Info: 482-8802

Negro Community Centre of Little Burgundy: 932-1107

Federation of Jewish Community Services: Raises funds for community services. Homecare, Senior programs, Immigrant programs. Negotiates with government. 5151

CLSC NDG: 2525 Cavendish. 485-1670

CLSC Cote des Neiges: 3600 Van Horne. 731-8531

CLSC Park-Extension: 469 Jean Talon W. 273-9591

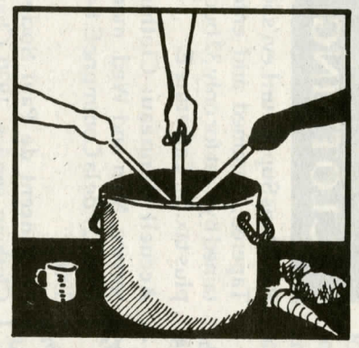
Pte. St. Charles Community Clinic: 500 Ash. 937-9251

Centre de Santé des Femmes: Open Mon, Wed, Thur, 1 pm–5 pm. 842-8903

Alcoholics Anonymous: *Al-Anon* is for anyone who has been affected by someone's drinking. Downtown meeting is held Sun at 1450 Stanley, Rm 301. 4:00 pm. Info: 729-3034

Alcoholism: *Westmount Adult Children of Alcoholics* (ACOA) meets every Tue. 8:00 pm. Westmount Baptist Church, 4755 Sherbrooke W. 937-4392

Alzheimer's Supoport: Information, understanding, moral support and methods of coping with Alzheimer's Disease in 8-week sessions. *Alzheimer*



Society of Montréal. 931-4211 (central) 485-7233 (west)

Dans la Rue: Two free condoms a person per night. Service from 9:00 pm–4:00 am. Call to find out when they'll be near you: 938-0888, 984-4247

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AIDS

Act Up: *The AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power*, committed to direct action to end the AIDS crisis. Meetings every Wed at 7:30 pm. CSAM, 3600 Hotel de Ville. All Welcome. 527-2423

AIDS Community Care Montréal: Support system, self-help groups, family, friends, and bereavement groups. Monthly newsletter. 24 hours—939-0075

Groupe d'Action Pour la Prévention du SIDA: Public awareness, listening service, info-line, resources, support. 2577A Jean Talon E. Rm. 101. Info: 722-5655

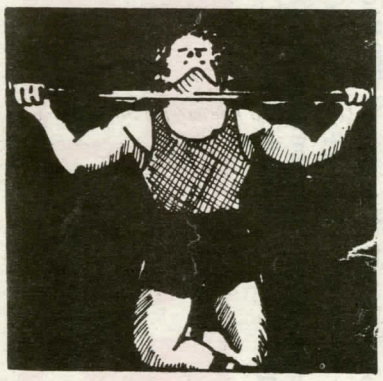
Alternative Clinic: Confidential HIV testing, medical treatment for people with HIV/AIDS infection, referrals. Mon–Thur 9 am–5 pm, Fri 9 am–4pm. 2034 St. Hubert. Info: 281-9848

Clinique medicale 1851: confidential HIV testing. Treatment and follow-up. Referrals. Mon–Fri 8 am–10 pm, Sat & Sun 9 am–5 pm. 1851 Sherbrooke E. Info: 524-7564

CLSC Plateau Mt. Royal: Medical treatment, home care and referrals. Mon, Wed &Tues, 8 am–8 pm, Thurs & Fri 8 am–6pm. 4689 Papineau. Info: 521-7663

L'Actuel: tests for women for STDs, HIV, and AIDS. 1259 Berri, suite 520. Info: 845-1333

CSAM: *Comité Sida Aide Montréal* is a non-profit, community-based volunteer organization whose mandate is the prevention of AIDS & the support of those affected by AIDS. Volunteers & financial contributions always needed. 3600 Hotel de Ville, Mtl, H2X 386. 282-9888



HIV/AIDS Bereavement: *The McGill School of Social Work &* AIDS *Community Care Montréal* is developing a bereavement group for lovers, friends & family (as well as care-givers, volunteers & professionals) who have lost a relationship due to HIV/AIDS. 398-7070, 939-0075 or 932-6969

HIV Support: *The Coalition of People Living with HIV* (CPAVIH) offers anonymous support: information, reference & comfort to anyone who lives with the reality of HIV. 3600 Hotel de Ville. 282-6673

Women's Action Group on AIDS: Part of ACT-UP Montréal. Focuses on women and AIDS from a feminist perspective. Info: 527-2423

Action SIDA Laval: Info on HIV/AIDS prevention. Support line. Buddy system. 226 Des Alpes. Info: 668-1230

Hospices

Maison Nazareth: 933-6916

Les Habitations Jean-Pierre Valiquette: 522-1922

Les Hébergements de l'envol: 374-1614

Maison d'Herelle: 844-4874

Maison Déhon: 523-6467

Maison du Parc: 523-6467

Maison Ludovic: 722-8523

Auberge Madeleine: 597-1499

CLOTHING

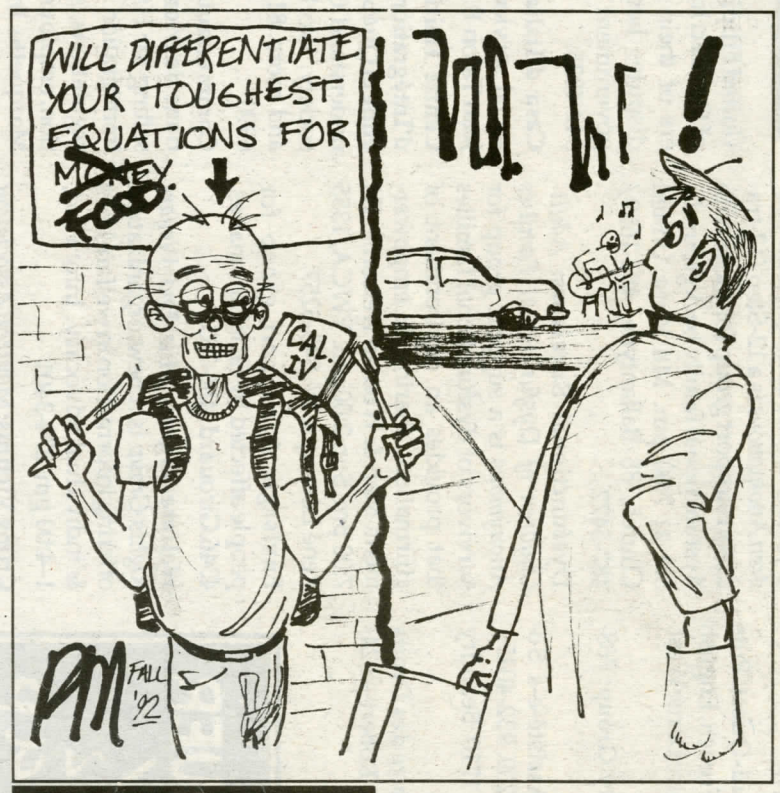
Pantalons Superieur: Levi's 501. Tapered, hemmed and entertained by a cat for only 32 bucks plus tax. St. Catherine E.

Accueil Bonneau: Clothing service. Mon and Wed. mornings. 427 de la Commune E. 845-3906

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Clothing service. 1930 Champlain. Mon–Thur. 10 am–4 pm. Info: 526-5937

Traction Avant: Clothing service. 158 Charron. Info: 465-1803

Sun Youth: Clothing service. 4251 St. Urbain. 8 am – 9 pm. info: 842-6822



DISABLED

Children: *The Québec Society for Disabled Children* relies on public donations for its services to thousands of disabled youngsters throughout Québec. 2300 René Lévesque W. H3H 2R5. 937-6171

Services for Disabled Students: SGW H-580. 848-3525 (Voice and TDD) LOY AD-121. 848-3536 (Voice and TDD)

Association Multi-Ethnique pour l'Intégration des Personnes Handicapées du Québec: Lobbies on behalf of the disabled and provides services and assistance in many languages. 91 St. Zotique E. 272-0680

Disabled Women's Network Montreal: Helps disabled women with employment, health, social and legal services. 7785 Louis Hébert. 725-4123

Public Facilities: For a listing of public facilities which are wheelchair-accessible. 872-6211

TRAVEL

New Year's Eve in New York: Spend your last 135 bucks on a trip to the Big Apple. 3 days 2 nights from Dec. 29 to Jan 1. Price includes: Return Transportation, 2 nights hotel, Hotel taxes, 4 hour city tour. Voyages Cuts Montreal. Info: 288-1130

STCUM: For urban transportation call 288-6287 (A-U-T-O-B-U-S) To arrange wheelchair-accessible transport call 280-353

Allo Stop: Ride sharing service. $6 for the year. $7 for drivers.

FITNESS

SGW Campus: 1822 de Maisonneuve W. Gym and weight room.

LOY Campus: 7200 Sherbrooke W. Gymnasium, weight room, ice rink.

Also, Outdoor playing fields at LOY. Sports equipment can be borrowed.

Concordia Intramural Teams: 848-3460

Swimming: Valid ID and a small fee lets you swim at Marianopolis College (3880 Cotes des Neiges)

Booking Facilities: SGW 848-3860 LOY 848-3858

KICKS

Contemporary Art Museum: Free on Wednesdays from 6-9:00 pm.

Rialto: Still the cheapest movies in town for students. $3.50 for repertory films and $4.50 for premieres.

Maison de la Culture: 14 all over the city. Call 872-6211

Games: Free game, *Explorations*, for children 13–17. Includes a map of world languages. Write: Information Branch, Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages, Ottawa, K1A 0T8. Or call collect 613-995-0730.

Bingo for Art: All are invited to play Bingo every Tues. in support of *Creations Cloverdale*, a non-profit group which develops artistic employability. 7:00 pm. 9580 Gouin W, Pierrefonds. 685-6243

Pac-Man: Still a quarter. Still fun.

The Link: Stop by and hang out at the Link office. H-649. Very cheap entertainment.

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Westmount prices lower than Pointe St. Charles

Groceries cost more for the poor

by Andrew Nichols

MONTREAL (CUP)—It's been three years since a Sacré Coeur hospital showed grocery prices are up to 30 per cent higher in poor areas. The situation has not changed.

Marcela Ferrada, a nurse at the Clinique Communautaire de Pointe St. Charles has found that the same problems continue to exist in her community today.

"I have heard that the IGA in Pointe St. Charles is one of the most expensive in the province," said Ferrada.

Furthermore, the two grocery stores in the area are only medium-sized and are surrounded by many dépanneurs, a typical pattern in a poor neighbourhood.

Ferrada said the quality of food in some dépanneurs left much to be desired.

"We find things that are two weeks past the due date and still on the shelves. There is dust and dirt in many of the cans and boxes and the fruit and vegetables are often old," she said.

Ferrada said that a single portion container of yoghurt at a large supermarket can cost as little as fifty cents, whereas at a dépanneur in Pointe St. Charles it costs $1.30.

"It's crazy the prices here, it's incredible."

In a similar finding conducted by *the McGill Daily* on October 8th and 9th, many of the items were more expensive in dépanneurs and medium-sized grocery stores in poverty-stricken Pointe St. Charles than they were in a large supermarket in the heart of Westmount, one of Metropolitan Montréal's richest neighbourhoods.

A whole chicken was available in Pointe St. Charles at IGA for the regular price of $4.78/kg and at Marché Richelieu for $5.03/kg. In Westmount, a whole chicken was available at Métro for the regular price of $2.18/kg. Four rolls of Cottonelle bathroom tissue was available at Marché Richelieu for $2.26 and at Westmount's Métro for $1.68. Five hundred grams of spaghetti noodles was available at one Pointe St. Charles dépanneur for $1.39 and at another for $1.17, while in Westmount at Métro, the same brand of spaghetti was selling for 89 cents.

Lynne Toupin, Executive Director of the National Antipoverty Association said the high price of food directly affected nutrition, even when the price differences were relatively small.

"A person with budget latitude can afford the extra fifty cents for a head of lettuce while others can't and opt for a cheap box of macaroni and cheese."

Bertrand believes an effective solution to the problem would be to convince the City of Montréal of the importance of economic development in these areas.

"Rather than handing out yet another permit for the establishment of a dépanneur why not orient small entrepreneurs towards opening up a small fruit and vegetable stand or a bakery?" asked Bertrand.

Spike Lee does the right thing

By any means necessary

by Stephen Smegelski

Filmmaker Spike Lee's *Malcolm X* opens with video footage of the Rodney King beating intercut with a burning American flag, and ends more than three hours later with footage from the history of African and African American movements.

The film will spark heated discussions and controversy when it opens this week. And this is a good thing.

Lee paints a furious picture of the life of murdered black leader from his start as a street gangster, through his spiritual discovery while serving a prison term, and ultimately to his becoming one of the most important black leaders in American history.

The film is brilliant.

Based on *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*—which Malcolm X told to Alex Haley—the film marks Lee's venture into the epic format with stunning results.

Lee succeeds in linking differing religious and political beliefs, Malcolm X's own personal convictions, and the social unrest of the 50s and 60s into an energetic film.

Denzel Washington deftly plays X, a demanding role needing several character transformations

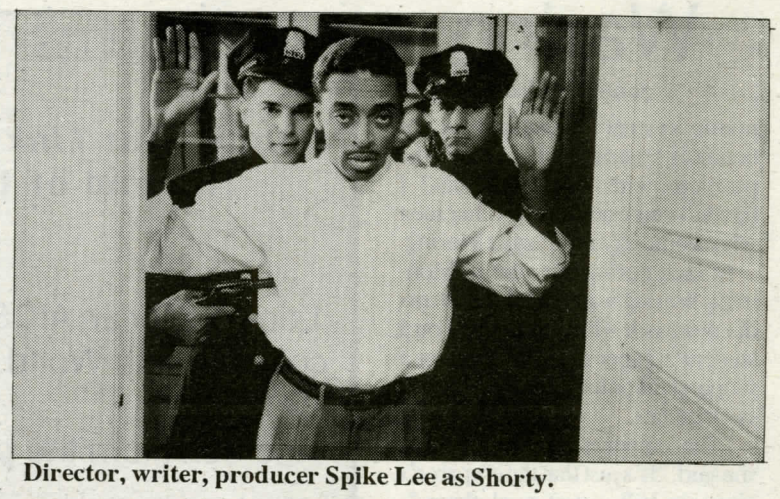
The film goes through a stylistic evolution as it progresses, reflecting the significant phases of X's life.

The first part follows a young X's involvement with his mentor in crime, Archie (Delroy Lindo) and his schemes with his white lover, Sophia (Kate Vernon).

When first seen in a Chicago barbershop at the film's start, Washington, as Malcolm Little—the first of many names—exudes youthful naïveté as he struts zootsuited through gangland. He is accompanied by his friend Shorty, played by Spike Lee, who prominantly and maybe egotistically keeps the camera on himself.

The sequences are lively and colourful, a literal play on X's nickname at the time, Red.

The film takes a dramatic turn when he and Shorty are sentenced to prison. The film shifts from flashy caricatures to a deep fleshing out of the character.



Director, writer, producer Spike Lee as Shorty.

In prison, his nickname at the time is Satan, which he soon changes to Malcolm X. His family name lost in history through slavery, he adopts "X"

A surprising aspect of *Malcolm X* is the leader's spirituality which Lee explores. The prison sequences are charged with emotional density as Washington struggles with his character's inner self.

Lee charts X's spiritual awakening from his introduction to Islam while in prison, to his working for Elijah Muhammad (Al Freeman Jr), the head of the Nation of Islam. Muhammad becomes X's source of enlightenment and inspiration.

The film then follows X's rise from basement preacher, his marriage to Betty Shabazz (Angela Bassett), and his arrival as an important political figure.

The final section of the film deals with X's breakoff from the Nation of Islam after his pilgrimage to the city of Mecca in Egypt, and the death threats on him and his family which eventually lead to his murder.

While Lee fully represents X, other important voices in the film are stifled. Angela Bassett gives a strong performance as X's wife, Betty Shabazz, but her role as a powerful figure within the women's movement of the Nation of Islam is frequently muted by the men in the film.

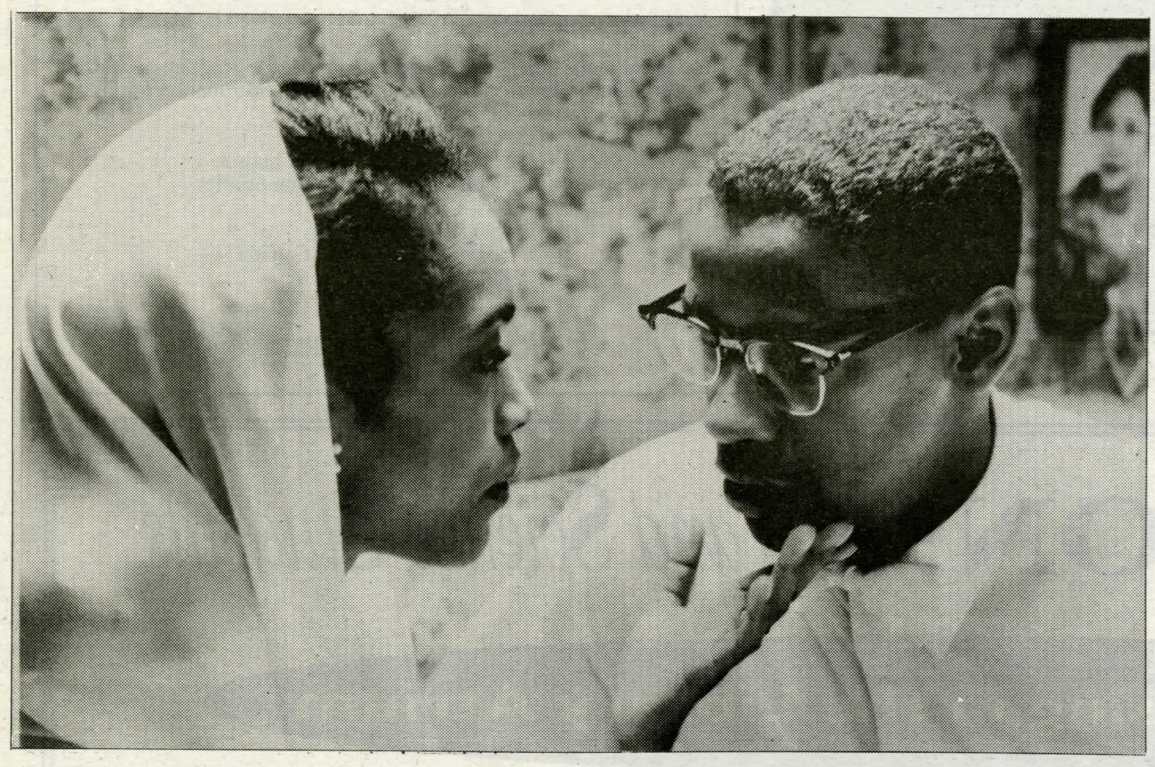
On a strictly visual level, the immaculately composed shots in the city of Mecca are stunning. On location, the camera pans across Washington amid thousands of other worshippers of all races.

Although Lee couldn't have included all aspects of Malcolm X's life into three-and-a-half hours of celluloid, he does deal with many key issues in a balanced way. Achieving a powerful historical perspective on Malcolm X, Lee is also concerned with the relevance of X to younger generations. At the end of the film, he shows Nelson Mandela quoting X's teachings to an elementary school classroom in Soweto.

Malcolm X is Lee's most conventional, yet radical work. By using a fairly standard cinematic approach to explore the life and meaning of a man whose influence continues to be a source of inspiration, Lee has made a film which strikes against the very mainstream it is being released in.

While it shouldn't be considered the final word on the man, the film will serve its purpose by urging viewers to read more about him. The film may best be seen as a call to arms. Read a book. Dispel the lies. Fight the power.

***Malcolm X**, playing at the Imperial (1430 Bleury) from Nov. 18.*



Angela Bassett and Denzel Washington in *Malcolm X*.

It's a sick, sick, sick world

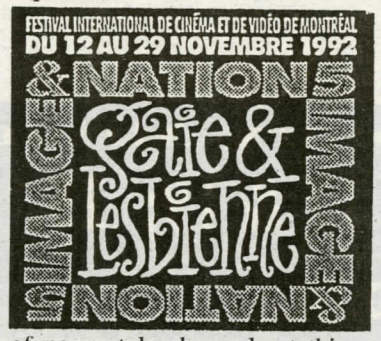
by Elana Wright

Deborah Vanslet, local lesbian hero, CKUT's *Dykes on Mykes* host, and lover of the absurd, will thrill **Image & Nation** festival audiences this Saturday night with the second installation of her *Sick World* video series.

Sick World I was a hit in last year's festival. *Sick World II: Even Sicker* continues in the same absurdist vein, telling stories of the weird and bizarre. Deborah, the star of the video, has collected a series of anecdotes with the help of a research team, and strung them together in a random way.

Each talking head segment, or should I say, "talking Deb" segment, complete with home-video style not-quite-right lighting, is linked by video toaster special effects, appropriate to the theme of the topics being explored, and by onscreen quotations, taken from tabloids and magazines, discussing bizarre products and services. These effects bring each hilarious story together, and lend continuity to the segments.

Deborah's deadpan delivery emphasizes the absurdity of her topics as the video becomes a sort



of news-style show about things that Deborah finds particularly sick.

These 'sick' things, for the most part , could be called 'unnatural'. They range from the most popular plastic surgical procedures for men, to a resort for pets, called Petsburgh, where grooming is an integral part of your pet's vacation. People's body alterations—especially to penises and breasts—as well as alterations to their pets' bodies, are the main focus of the sickness, and the main source of the humour.

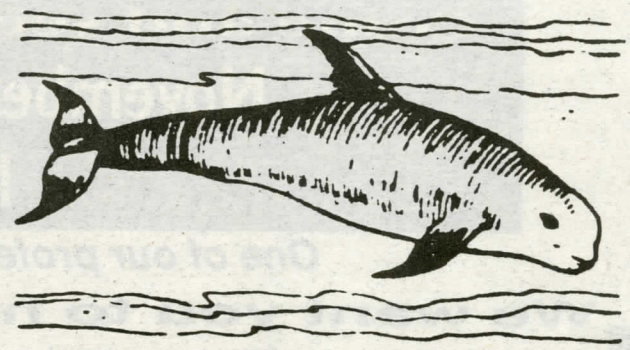
Other highlights of *Sick World II* are a puppet show featuring Cuspela, a drag queen jester to the queen, and Helga, a witch who lives in a forest in a three-story treehouse, and Deb's amazing performance of sheep bleeting.

Anyone with a taste for absurd but true facts will laugh their way through this world premiere.

***Sick World II: Even Sicker**, playing at the Goethe-Institut (418 Sherbrooke E.) at 7 pm Saturday, November 21 along with three other short videos: **Suddenly Last Summer**, **Tempted**, and **Queer Events, Gay Games**. Advance tickets are available at the Goethe Institut. $5.50.*

fringe arts

Skink, *Eumeces skiltonianus* (Length 2½ in.)



Grampus, *Grampus griseus* (Length 9 to 13 ft.)

Waring

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nomic system) is patriarchal, of course it's patriarchal'—what's the problem with admitting that? I haven't come across any other men who would say that," says Waring.

In fact, during her visit to Montreal, Waring was told of a Concordia professor who commented on a student's paper that she was not a proper economist. But that doesn't surprise her.

"The emperor has no clothes," she said. "It's just that the emperor's army are still sort of stuck there."

Waring was in Montreal to speak as part of a film being made about her.

She was first approached about the documentary in 1990 by director Terre Nash, who won an Oscar for *If You Love This Planet*.

Being filmed is a new experience for Waring. She said speaking in public makes her nervous, and knowing she is being filmed compounds it.

To prepare for her lecture at the Musée des Beaux-arts that evening—which she was giving for the purpose of the documentary—and to fight her nerves, she was going to go for a long walk and listen to tapes of previous talks.

"I can't believe it's going on," Waring said. "'Cause really, I was writing this book thinking it would sell well in Australia and New Zealand, then it would be out of print and forgotten."

NEWS BULLETIN

Only four *Link* issues left until the end of the semester.

Look out for an AIDS supplement Dec. 1 to coincide with World AIDS Day.

And don't turn the page yet.

An anti-violence against women supplement Dec. 4 will commemorate the third anniversary of the Dec. 6 Ecole Polytechnique slayings and raise awareness on the continual and recent rash of violent crimes against women.

DEADLINES FOR SUBMISSIONS

AIDS supplement: Friday, Nov. 27

Anti-violence against women supplement: Tuesday, Dec. 1

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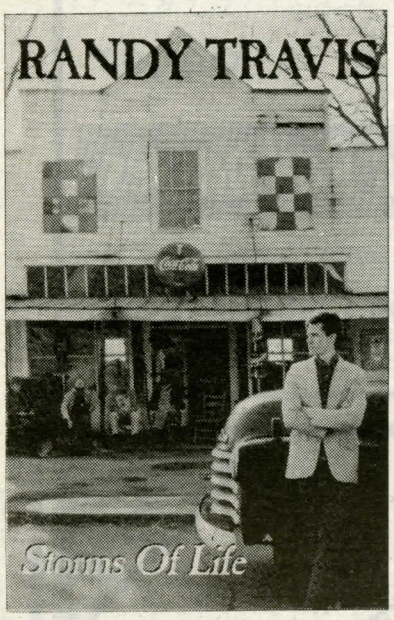
Cheap Spins

by Robert Gauvin

A trip to a record store can burn a big hole in a small budget, but don't despair, there is a plethora of perfect post-consumer disc shops around town. You can find that penultimate pop pastry for about half the profiteer's price. So put these on your play list (all available in second hand stores in Montreal).

Dumptruck
For The Country
Mercury/Polygram

For those looking for more **REM** sounding bands, Boston-based **Dumptruck** is a reasonable facsimile to the Athens, Georgia sound. *For The Country* contains a great combination of **REM** guitars and a **Guadalacanal Diary/DB's** vocal capacity. Which makes their songs a lot more comprehensible than Michael Stipe's whining.



Randy Travis
Storms of Life
Warner

Still widely available in second hand shops, this classic epitomizes the carefree, brokenhearted, mother-loving, honky-tonk characteristics of Country and Western music. Not since the heyday of George Jones has anyone been able to lament in country songs like these.

Scott B. Sympathy
Neil Younge Street
Smokeshow

As the title suggests, this release finds lots of influences with Neil Young's repertoire. Most of it comes out through acoustically deft performances as on *Wooden Legs* and *Can't Hold On That Way*. **Scott B. Sympathy** has been part of the Toronto indie scene for so long, it appears he may have found someone to cling on to.

Jean-Louis Aubert
Bleu Blanc Vert
Select

Apart from a few good moments on *Univers* and *Voila C'est Fini*, **Bleu Blanc Vert** is only a continuation of the pop-funk sound found commonly among other artists in France. A serious disappointment compared to his old days as frontman of France's only real rock and roll band, **Telephone**, the album sounds like what **Telephone** had set out to destroy.

The Go Betweens
16 Lovers Lane
Vertigo/Polygram

Very much in the same vein as past alternative successes like *Spring Rain*, *16 Lovers Lane* is the last real release from this five piece Australian group. **The Go Betweens** have always been a down under version of Fleetwood Mac which never really caught on in North America. Best tracks include *Streets Of Your Town*, *Quiet Heart* and *Clouds*.

Berurier Noir
Concerto Pour Detraques
New Rose/Cargo

My vote in the ongoing French alternative music debate as to which is the best **Berurier** album, *Concerto Pour Detraques* or *Abracadaboum!*, is quite unequivocal. *Concerto* contains a well balanced mixture of aggressive punk/skin head guitar riffs (*Petite Agite, Fils de..., Porcherie)* as well as mellower versions of *Contre Cruel de la Jeunesse* and *Les Rebelles*. A definite must for the uninitiated in French alternative music.

The Connells
One Simple Word
TVT/MCA

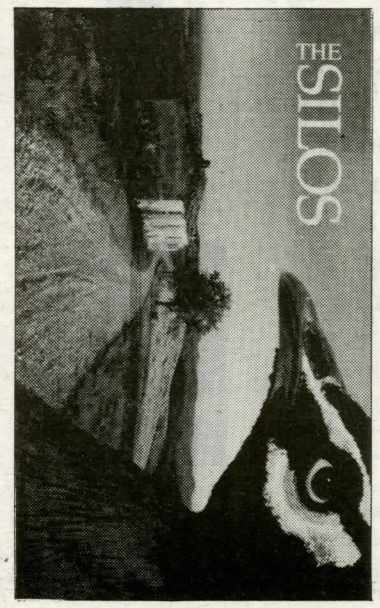
North Carolina has never been known as a hotbed for musicians. Obviously no one has told **The Connells**. *One Simple Word* is an excellent example of bubble gum alternative pop at its best. The tunes are very simple, very catchy and the songs full of hummable harmonies. Memorable tracks include *Get A Gun*, *The Joke* and *Stone Cold Yesterday*.

SNFU
Better Than A Stick In The Eye
Cargo

Throughout the last decade three names come to mind when trying to describe the Canadian punk music scene: **D.O.A.**, **NoMeansNo** and **SNFU**. From Chi Pig's opening "Woaaaaaah!" on *Time To Buy A Futon* to the last laments of Cat Stevens' *Wild World*, this tape is a continuous barrage of clashing guitar riffs and pulsating vocals. In short, a perfect prescription to develop a love-hate relationship with your neighbors.

The Silos
The Silos
BMG

This two-year-old debut is an American version of the **Blue Rodeo**esque country-rock sound, easily appreciated by anyone who enjoys the likes of the **Skydiggers**, **Leslie Spit Tree O** or the **Northern Pikes**.



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Pioneering film studies prof lectures at conference

by Stephen Smegelski

University of Warwick professor Richard Dyer lectured to an enthusiastic crowd at UQAM this weekend as part of **La Ville En Rose**.

Dyer is known internationally for his pioneering work in gay and lesbian film studies.

Dyer's presentation at the conference was called *Coming Out as Going In: the Image of the Homosexual as SadYoung Man in the Movies, between World War II and Stonewall*..

The lecture dealt with the stereotype of the lonely gay youth as portrayed subtextually in the popular 40s to 60s culture.

Dyer called on the return of the stereotypes back into the gay and lesbian studies agenda.

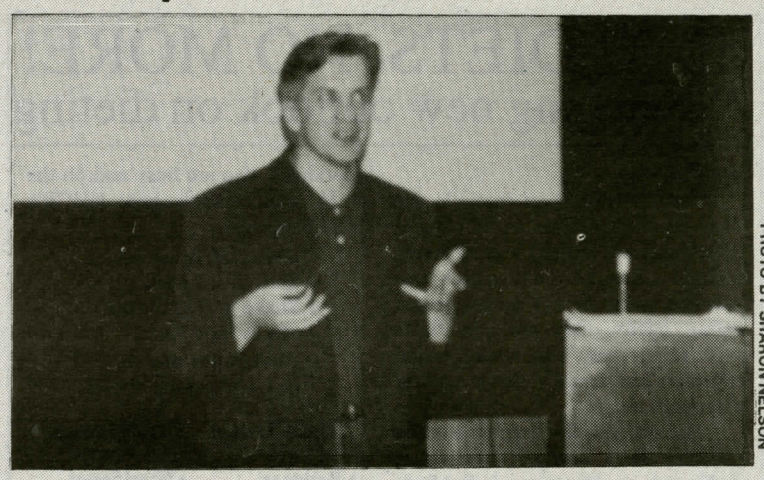
He argued that there is more to learn about the stereotypes whic were conceived both by both gay and straight artists.

Hepointed to the gay pulp novels of the 50s, stating their importance as cultural artifacts.

"The gay pulp novels of the 50s were the porn of the day," he said.

"The image of the sad young man does not really exist in current porn."

Dyer's talk was accompanied by a multi-media presentation of slides and video clips with a tape of Petula Clark's *Ballad of the Sad Young Man*.



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Richard Dyer lecturing at Concordia film class last night.

He also used clips from such seminal films as *Rebel Without a Cause* and *Victim* to prove his points. He explained how actors like Sal Mineo were ostracized from the Hollywood industry because of their sexual preference.

"Making Hitchcock's *Rope* destroyed Farley Granger's career," said Dyer.

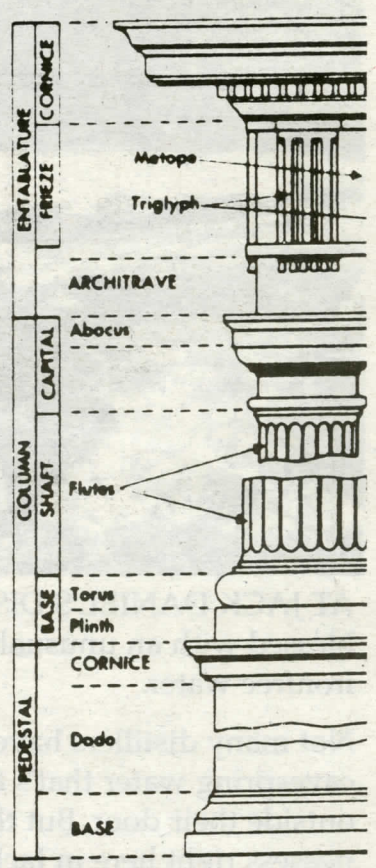
"I don't think it did any of those actors any good playing sad young men."

During a question and answer period , Dyer touched upon current pop culture figures within the context of his lecture.

"People like Jimmy Sommerville are really interesting in terms of the sad young man stereotype," he said

"I really must look into Morrissey. I don't know much about him. I must be showing my age."

As for the AIDS issue, Dyer said:"One could imagine AIDS having ushered back in the stereotype of the sad young man but AIDS happened after liberation so the type got lost. The sad young man's melancholy is not present in AIDS imagery."



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by NHCP

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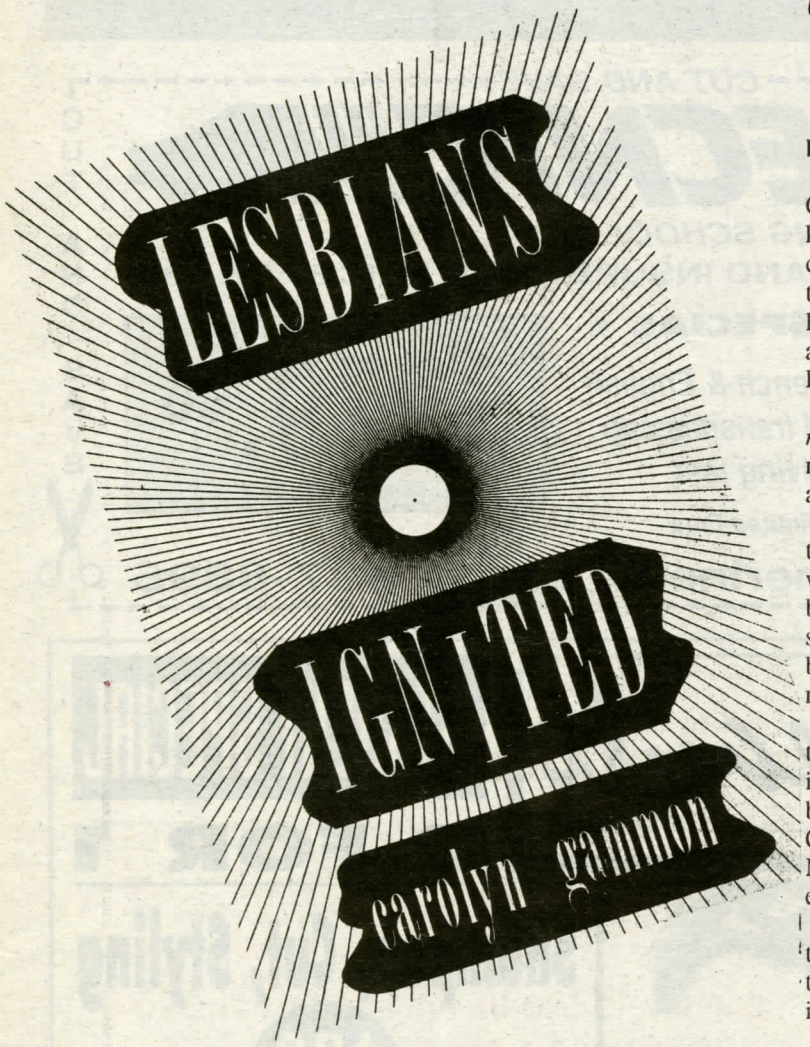

United and Ignited

Lesbian launches first book

by Anuska Garcia

Carolyn Gammon, a former Concordia student who became known in 1988 for her formal request for a Mistress of Arts in Creative Writing, came back from Berlin to launch her first book of poems at the Simone de Beauvoir Institute last Thursday.

Gammon read from *Lesbians Ignited*—a collection of poems spanning 10 years to 10 months ago—to an eager crowd of women.

"I actually wouldn't want anything in this book that has been written 10 years ago that hasn't been touched up since," Gammon said. "I've come to a style that's a bit sparser— leaving some imagination to the reader."

The poems range from lusty themes to more introspective writing about situations which can only be interpreted and felt by a lesbian. Gammon is a familiar to many Montreal lesbians who attend poetry readings around town.

"Having the audience today, I think I knew about three-quarters of the lesbians and women here and it's just such a feeling of coming back home and bringing my work back to the women and lesbians who really fed me and inspired me to write this book," Gammon said.

"This positive feedback is so important to have the courage to put this all down on paper."

Gammon also lauded P.E.I.-based Gynergy Books, her publisher, adding that it is the publisher in Canada which openly publishes lesbian literature. "I'm from the Maritimes, so it was like a happy connection for (Gynergy)."

Gammon is already working on a book of short stories.

"I've had quite a few short stories in the anthologies that I'd like to compile into a book and I'd like to write some new ones and get the book of short stories out next time," she said.

"I don't tend to write poetry that quickly. (*Lesbians Ignited*) is a compilation on from 12 years so I don't see another book of poetry out for a while."

Gammon made it clear from the start that her book is meant exclusively for lesbians.

"I wouldn't care if a het picked it up. I'm not really interested in heterosexuals or men as my audience. What I really want is feedback from lesbians. That's where I get my strength," she said.

"I've had quite a few heterosexual women respond very positively to my poetry, and I think 'great.' If they could get something good out of it, that's great too.' But I say in my introduction, that I write for lesbians."

And Gammon said she wants to continue writing strictly for the lesbian community.

"I do not pretend to aspire to a greater public because I've heard too many lesbian writers say 'Oh, I'm not a lesbian writer,'" she said. "They don't want to be pigeonholed and labelled that and I really went against that by (including) lesbian in the title. You can label me that anytime because it's something I'm proud of and happy about.

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Book Lovers Forum
Mervin Butovsky will review *MR. MANI* by A.B. Yehoushua. Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave. **9:30 am.** $5.00

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Irving Layton
Fornalutx: Selected Poems, 1928–1990, Layton's latest book, is launched at Paragraph bookstore, 2065 Mansfield St. **5:30–7:30 pm.**

Paul Lukacs
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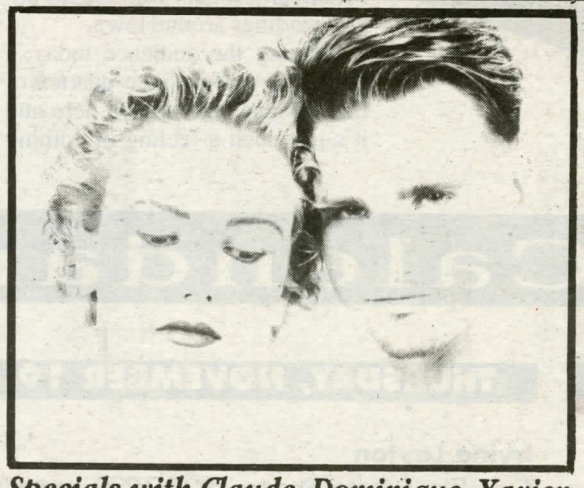

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